

Media Release

The logo for the musical 'Sister Act' features the words 'SISTER' and 'ACT' in a bold, red, 3D-style font. The letters are slightly offset and have a metallic sheen, giving them a dynamic, pop-art feel.The logo for BASE Entertainment Asia features the word 'BASE' in a large, bold, red serif font. Below it, the words 'ENTERTAINMENT' and 'ASIA' are written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font, separated by a thin red horizontal line.

For immediate release

Sister Act Coming to Asia for the First Time

The Musical Comedy That Will Rock The Rafters is Coming to the Mastercard Theatres

Singapore 23 January 2016 - Direct from the United States of America, Sister Act, the hilarious, five-time Tony-nominated musical smash hit, is coming to Singapore for the first time. Described “In a word, DIVINE!” by the Associated Press, SISTER ACT opens at the MasterCard Theatres, Marina Bay Sands on 9 May 2017 for a limited engagement! Tickets are now on sale.

SISTER ACT tells the story of a wannabe disco diva Deloris Van Cartier whose life takes a surprising turn when she witnesses a murder and is put into protective custody in the one place the police are sure she would not be found - a convent! Disguised as a nun, she finds herself at odds with both the rigid lifestyle and an uptight Mother Superior. Using her fabulous disco vibe and killer voice to inspire the choir, Deloris breathes new life into the church but in doing so, blows her cover. Soon it is nun-on-the-run time but Deloris helps her fellow sisters find their voices as she unexpectedly rediscovers her own. A sparkling tribute to the universal power of friendship, Sister Act is reason to rejoice!

Based on the mega-hit film from the 1990s, Sister Act features original music by 8-time Oscar® winner Alan Menken (*Beauty and the Beast*, *The Little Mermaid*, *Little Shop of Horrors*) with a vast inspiration of musical styles from Motown, soul and funk to great big disco anthems and Barry White inspired musical comedy.

“To hear people laugh and cheer the way they do at Sister Act—a show people think they know but are pleasantly surprised to discover is not what they are expecting—is a magical experience for a producer,” says Producer of the Original production Whoopi Goldberg, who also played the lead role of Deloris in the 1992 Hollywood blockbuster and sequel. “Happily, audiences across the country are able to get in on the fun as Deloris and her fabulous sisters spread the love nationwide.”

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The Original Production is produced by Whoopi Goldberg and Stage Entertainment. This production is produced by BEG and TROIKA Entertainment. *Sister Act* received five 2011 Tony® Award nominations including Best Musical, Best Original Score (Alan Menken (music)/Glenn Slater (lyrics), and Best Book of a Musical (Cheri & Bill Steinkellner and Douglas Carter Beane).

Sister Act features lyrics by Tony and Academy Award-nominee Glenn Slater (*The Little Mermaid*), and a book by multi-E Emmy Award winners Cheri and Bill Steinkellner (*Cheers*) with additional book material by Tony and Olivier Award nominee Douglas Carter Beane (*Xanadu*, *The Little Dog Laughed*). Directed on Broadway by four-time Tony Award winner Jerry Zaks (*Guys and Dolls*, *A Funny Thing...Forum*, *Smokey Joe's Café*), the production features choreography by Tony and Olivier Award nominee Anthony Van Laast (*Mamma Mia*, *Bombay Dreams*) and is based on the Touchstone Pictures motion picture *Sister Act* written by Joseph Howard.

Sister Act features scenic design by Klara Zieglerova (*Jersey Boys*), costume design by Lez Brotherson (*Swan Lake*), lighting design by Natasha Katz (*Once*), sound design by Peter McBoyle (*Come Fly Away*) and hair design by David Brian Brown (*Death of a Salesman*).

WHAT THE CRITICS HAVE TO SAY:

Elisabeth Vincentelli of *The New York Post* calls *Sister Act*, "One of the season's happiest surprises! Off the chart and packed with goodies, to which we say: Amen!"

Joe Dziemianowicz of *The New York Daily News* raves "A blessed event has landed on Broadway. *Sister Act* is a feel-good crowd pleasure worth celebrating. It keeps on purring from one happy moment to the next."

Charles Isherwood of *The New York Times* says, "When the wimples start quivering and the nuns start rocking to raise the Gothic rafters, all's right in the kingdom of musical comedy!" and

Mark Kennedy of *The Associated Press* calls *Sister Act*, "In a word, divine. This is a musical that hits all of the right spots, achieving something close to Broadway grace. It will convert you."

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Season Details

Sister Act

Season: From 9 May 2017
Venue: MasterCard Theatres at Marina Bay Sands
Cast: United States of America Cast

For more information, please visit www.sisteractontour.com

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Performance Times:

Tuesday - Friday 7:30pm

Saturday: 2:00pm and 7:30pm

Sunday: 1:00pm and 6:00pm

Ticket Price:

From S\$65

** Excludes the booking fee of SGD\$4 per ticket*

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Base Entertainment is a live entertainment company with offices New York, Las Vegas, Houston and it opened its Asia headquarters in Singapore in 2010. Base Entertainment Asia has since become one of Southeast Asia's leading presenters of live entertainment. It is the resident developer, producer, programmer and manager of live entertainment at Singapore's MasterCard Theatres at Marina Bay Sands. The company has presented over 150 of the world's most recognised shows of varied genres:

- Musicals - the Phantom of the Opera, Disney's The Lion King, Wicked, Jersey Boys, CATS, My Fair Lady, Annie, Mamma Mia!, The Sound of Music, Blue Man Group
 - Stage magic- The Illusionist
 - Circus – Le Noir, Cirque Adrenaline, Cirque Eloize
 - Concerts - Michael Bolton, Bjorn Again, Cliff Richard, AR Rahman, Air Supply, Elvis Costello
 - Performing arts - Cavalia
 - Classical concert – The Music of John Williams
 - Ballet – Superstars of Ballet Gala
- more-
- Children – Disney Live, Hi-5

In 2016, Base Entertainment Asia launched BasXclusive, the client services and group sales division.

Along with supporting international content, it is part of Base Entertainment Asia's on-going efforts to give Asian content a platform to showcase their talent – Kabuki (Ebizo, Takizawa), Cai Xiao Hu, Kit Chan, The Lee Kuan Yew Musical and more. In 2016, Base Entertainment Asia started its arts education, the Applause Program. The company collaborated with leading arts and entertainment talents from around the world to develop the Musical Theatre Workshop for Singapore's aspiring artists. The Musical Workshop is not only an opportunity for performers to refine their skills but also for anyone with a passion for the arts to learn skills for being on stage and to meet others who share the same passion and interest. Base Entertainment Asia conducts these workshops annually.

Base Entertainment Asia pursues a 360-degree approach in its consideration of entertainment property production and development - creative value, audience appeal, differentiation of product, assessment of market competition, anticipated show performance, commercial viability and investment yield. Base Entertainment Asia regularly consults on entertainment properties and productions across the globe and has capabilities of managing entertainment venues worldwide. For more information please visit www.BASEentertainmentAsia.com

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